## LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE SUMMARY

**Public Safety Subcommittee** 

Monday, June 25, 2007 4:00 P.M. Third Floor, City Hall

Present: Chairman: CM Downard

Vice Chair: CM Green

Members: CM Kramer, CM Welch, and CM Ward-Pugh

Special Items for Discussion: Proposed Quarantine of Animals Ordinance

Chairman Downard announced the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

Chairman Downard gave an overview of this Committee stating this Committee can recommend changes to the Public Safety Committee but can not change the ordinance itself. Dr. Meloche, Director of Animal Services, will be at future meetings. There will be expert testimony given not by passion but by expertise. A handout was given to the Committee members (attached). The following experts will be speaking before the Committee along with others. Some speakers may communicate by teleconference.

- Matthew Duffy Duffy's Dog Training Center L.L.C.
- Becky J. Reiter Director of Animal Care and Control in Boone County
- Butch Schroyer D.V.M. Veterinarian
- Patti Strand Internationally recognized animal issues expert
- M. Christine Zink. D.V.M., PhD. Dip. A.C.V.P. Professor, Department of Comparative Medicine Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine - Animal pathology

The Objectives of the Committee are as follows:

- Relate current law to the purpose of the current law
- Safety to the Community
- Pet Population Control
- Increased licensing
- Enhanced placement of animals
- Cut back on pet turn ins
- Education of the public

The ordinance should allow animal services to do their job effectively and efficiently

The ordinance relating to the Quarantine of Animals and the Animal Welfare Advisory Board will also be discussed.

The Subcommittee will meet on Mondays during Council Meeting weeks at 2:00 p.m. and will last about one hour.

The meeting dates so far are as follows:

- Monday, July 9 at 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, July 23 at 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, August 6 at 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, August 20 at 2:00 p.m.

There may be a few more dates added.

The Committee would like to explore the Nathan Winograd Model. Mr. Winograd was the Head of Animal Services in San Francisco and he is said to be possibly the only person in the United States who effectively built a no kill shelter for his animal services department.

\*\*\*\*This Committee needs to give a response to the Public Safety Committee regarding the Quarantine of Animal Ordinance

O-121-05-07 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 91.072 OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES ("CODE") PERTAINING TO THE QUARANTINE OF ANIMALS.

Status: In Committee - Tabled Committee: Public Safety Primary Sponsor: Glen Stuckel

**Discussion:** This item remained **Tabled**.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA - VIEW ONLY**

Motion to Adjourn was made by Judy Green and seconded by Tina Ward-Pugh.

Without objection the meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

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